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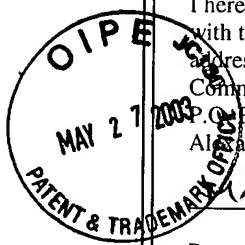
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Application No.: 10/079,134

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PRIMER EXTENSION

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
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Sir.:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed May 6, 2003, Applicant respectfully elects to prosecute claims in Group I (Claims 1-13) without traverse. Applicant expressly reserves the right to file the claims in Group II (Claims 14-18) in one or more divisional applications related to the instant application.

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Applicant believes that the present application is in condition for early examination, and action toward that end is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview would expedite the examination of this application, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andy L. Filler", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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